

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order. Commissioner Williamson led the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

The first order of business was to elect Board officers and appoint the County attorney for 2021.

Commissioner Kenney made a motion seconded by Commissioner Morris to re-elect Leland Adams as Chairman. Chairman Adams abstained. Motion carried.

Commissioner Williamson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kenney to re-elect Clarence Thomas as Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Thomas abstained. Motion carried.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kenney to re-appoint Paul Cook as County Attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

The agenda was approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the December 14, 2020 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the December 14, 2020 Executive Session were approved on a motion by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously.

Appearing before the Board was Michele Johnson from the Toombs-Montgomery Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Johnson reported on a ribbon cutting and grand opening of Farmers Insurance, J. Leigh Hair, GA Peach Clothing & Co., and Edward Jones on January 21, 2021 at 4:00 pm. The 2021 Annual Chamber meeting will be held on March 18th, 2021 at Hawks Point.

EMA Director Donnie Daniels reported 97 calls for the EMS in December and hopefully the new ambulance will be in February.

EMA Director Donnie Daniels reported there were 175 new cases of COVID-19 in the last three weeks in Montgomery County. Mr. Daniels reported the Hazard Mitigation Plan was completed and has been mailed to FEMA.

Road Superintendent Milton Fountain reported the road department held a safety meeting on December 22, 2020 on the topic of 'How to put up decorations properly without getting hurt' with seven employees present. The lights on the nativity scene needs new lights. With the 4 ½ inches of rain last week, there were no road washouts. Republic Recycling is hauling the recycling

containers from the recycling centers to the Toombs County Landfill at the present time. Mr. Fountain reported on several items that need to be discussed in a work session including the grader that is due to be returned in August, buildings and grounds and solid waste.

The Board reviewed the financial reports.

Under New Business, the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No. 21-01-01) appointing Elizabeth Williams to the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission for a one-year term on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board adopted the Joint Comprehensive Plan Resolution (Res. No. 21-01-02). Motion carried unanimously.

The Board had the first reading of the resolution to amend the Montgomery County Timber Ordinance amending Article II of Chapter 8 of the Montgomery County Code to comply with House Bill 897 of the Georgia General Assembly. Commissioner Kenney made a motion seconded by Commissioner Williamson to approve this as the first reading of the amended ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed qualifications for the engineering firm for the CDBG application. On a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board selected Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood as the engineers.

On a motion by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Kenney the Board adopted the banking resolution (Res. No. 21-01-03) approving Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, Tim Williamson, and Renee Cason as authorized signers on the county's deposit accounts with the Mount Vernon Bank. This authorization includes the following deposit accounts: Treasury Account, Special Drug Education, Jail Fee Fund, Capital Projects Account, Senior Citizen Nutrition Account, Transportation & Investment Act Account, Property Tax Account, Recreation Fund and USDA Loan Reserve Account. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board scheduled a work session on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris at 6:24 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 14, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Adult Literacy Center to discuss operations of the road department, solid waste, buildings & grounds, and recreation.

Members present were Leland Adam, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The Board discussed consolidating the road department and solid waste. Request For Proposals will be sent to Republic, Ryland and All-Green for the hauling of the solid waste containers to the landfill. The Montgomery County Service Center has offered to collect the cardboard from the centers for \$60.00 per week.

The Montgomery County FFA has offered to take the aluminum cans for a fund-raising project.

The Board discuss the need to add another recycling center in the Petross area.

The Board discussed some needed repairs at the Courthouse and Senior Center. The Courthouse repairs include replacing a broken window on the second floor, painting the window seals, and repairing a loose front step and repairing a loose step and a leak at the Senior Center.

Milton Fountain, Road Superintendent expressed a need for a generator for the Road Department.

The Board discussed a request from Sikes Brothers for stop time on Largo Drive and Ashley Alley.

The Board discussed the 2014 672 John Deere motor grader. The warranty hours will be up before the lease ends. County Manager Brandon Braddy will solicit quotes on a new motor grader.

The Board discussed the Alamo grass tractor and the Ford dump truck.

The Board discussed needed repairs at the recreation facility.

The work session ended at 8:47 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 21, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 5:30 pm at the Adult Literacy Center to discuss operations of the road department, solid waste, buildings & grounds, and recreation.

Members present were Leland Adam, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The Board discussed needs for repairing the Recreation Department including the score board, drainage, lights and removing the trailer.

The Board discussed sending out a Request for Proposal for hauling recyclables.

Quotes for a new motor grader will be solicited.

The Board discussed adjusting the budget to have the solid waste, road department and buildings and grounds placed under the same director.

The Board discussed needed repairs at the Courthouse and Senior Center.

The Board discussed giving the fire departments some of the CARES funds.

The Board reviewed quotes for an engineering firm to design the drainage and paving of Bowtie Circle and Hardeman Road on the CDBG.

The work session ended at 8:40 pm.